

# Legal Issues Regarding WHOIS Databases

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# Basic content

- Focus on .eu, .no, and .com WHOIS regimes
- Maps evolution of WHOIS regulatory policy
- Suggests criteria to better classify main functions of WHOIS databases
- Identifies scope of registries'/registrars' respective IP rights in WHOIS databases
- Suggests ways to balance need to access WHOIS databases for law enforcement purposes, and need for privacy-friendly WHOIS policy.

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